NATIONAL AERONAUTICS AND SPACE ADMINISTRATION JOHN F. KENNEDY SPACE CENTER

RECOMMENDATION AND DETERMINATION TO SOLICIT FROM ONE SOURCE

I recommend that NASA, John F. Kennedy Space Center negotiate with AVTEC SYSTEMS only for PR 4200468555

The total estimated cost of this effort is and the estimated period of performance or lead-time for delivery is 30 days.

This recommendation is made pursuant to FAR 13.106, for the acquisition of supplies or services determined to be reasonably available from only one source. Competition is impractical for the following reasons:

The purpose of this procurement is to obtain additional AVTEC Multiplexers for NASA's TLMoverIP equipment to supplement existing Multiplexer equipment. 100% compatibility is required with existing equipment. To use other equipment would introduce unneeded mission risk and increase the chance of mission failure. Replacement of existing equipment is not in the best interest of the Government increasing the acquisition cost by at least Additional training would also be required. NASA would have to test and qualify a new vendor before being used during an actual launch. Mission schedule would not be met with the purchase of replacement multiplexers.

Pursuant to NFS 1805.207 and 1804.570, this proposed contract action will be published on the NASA Acquisition Internet Service (NAIS) and pursuant to FAR 5.201, this proposed contract action will be synopsized in the Federal Business Opportunities. The results received in writing will be added to this document by addendum.

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I hereby accept the above stated recommendation and determine that the circumstances of the contract action deem only one source reasonably available.

Contracting Officer

Date